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CAPTAIN Robert Sutton, late Commander of His Majeſty's Ship the Sphynx, arrived on the 1ſt Inſtant from the Leeward Iſlands, with Diſpatches from Rear-Admiral Hyde Parker to Mr. Stephens, of which the following are Extracts and Copies.

Extract of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Hyde Parker to Mr. Stephens, dated Princeſs Royal, Gros Iſlet Bay, St. Lucia, December 9, 1779.

[*Duplicate, of which the Original is not yet received.*]

MY laſt to you of the 16th of October, acquainted you with my Arrival at Barbados, with the Squadron of His Majeſty's Ships under my Command.

On the 24th of October, the Actæon and Proſerpine came into Carliſle Bay, with the Alcmene Frigate of Twenty eight Guns, commanded by Captain de Bonneval: She was chaſed by ſeveral Ships, but ſtruck to the Proſerpine. From the Capture of this Ship I firſt learned with Certainty, that the Count D'Eſtaing was gone with all his Fleet to America.

Incloſed I ſend a Liſt of Prizes taken ſince my laſt.

An Account of Prizes taken by His Majeſty's Squadron under my Command, ſince my laſt.

1779. Auguſt 30. By the *Boreas*, after a ſmart Engagement of 20 Minutes, in which the Boreas had 4 Men killed and 5 wounded. French Flute Le Compaſs, 20 Guns, 140 Men, from Martinique, laden with Sugar.

Sept. 8 By the *Rover Sloop*. American Schooner Sally, 60 Tons, 6 Guns, 6 Men, from Marblehead to Guadaloupe, with Lumber.

—— 16. By *Ditto*. American Schooner Nancy, 40 Tons, 5 Guns, 5 Men, from Salem to Guadaloupe, with Fiſh and Lumber.

—— 16. By the *Proſerpine*. A French Sloop, from Grenada to Euſtatius, with Rum, Sugar and Coffee.

—— 17. By *Ditto*. French Sloop St. Vincent's, from Dominique to Euſtatius, with Rum, Sugar and Coffee.

—— 20. By *Ditto*. Spaniſh Schooner Seignora Socana, from Barcelona to Euſtatius, with Proviſions.

—— 21. By *Ditto*. Schooner Maria Magdelana, from Margarita to Martinique, with Fiſh.

—— 29. By the *Surprize Sloop*. American Brig Fair, 120 Tons, 15 Men, from Charles Town to St. Martin's, with Rice and Tobacco.

Oct. 4. By the *Proſerpine*. French Sloop Liberty, from Grenada to Martinique, with Bottles.

—— 5. By *Ditto*. French Sloop Alexander, from Grenada to Euſtatius, with Rum, Sugar, and Coffee.

—— 7. By *Ditto*, French Sloop Le Superbe, from Euſtatius to Guadaloupe, with Bale Goods, Wine and Proviſions.

—— 29. By the *Surprize* and *Rover*. French Ship St. Jean, from Cape Francois to Old France, with Sugar, Coffee and Cotton.

—— 21. By the *Actæon*, *Proſerpine*, and *Cornwall*. French Frigate Alcmene, 28 Guns, 200 Men, from St. Domingo to Old France.

—— 29. By the *Deal Caſtle* and *Barbados*. A French Sloop with Naval Stores, &c.

—— 29. By *Ditto*. A French Sloop, with Sugar and Coffee.

—— 29. By the *Preſton*. An American Sloop, with Tobacco, &c.

Dec. 1. By the *Boreas*. French Ship Conquerent, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with Sundries, Proviſions, &c.

—— 1. By *Ditto*. French Polacre Lovely Maria, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with Sundries, Proviſions, &c.

Extract of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Hyde Parker to Mr. Stephens, dated Princeſs Royal, Gros Iſlet Bay, St. Lucia, December 23, 1779.

CAptain Sutton not having yet left the Squadron, gives me an Opportunity to add a Supplement to my Letter of the 9th Inſtant, and to deſire you will inform their Lordſhips, that on the 18th Inſtant, between Eight and Nine o'Clock in the Morning, the Preſton being between Martinico and St. Lucia, to Windward, made the Signal for a Fleet; which was no ſooner obſerved on board the Princeſs Royal, than a Signal was thrown out for the Ships under my Command to ſlip their Cables, and chaſe to Windward. The Captains were then aſſembled at a Court Martial; and as the Ships were in a Courſe of Fitting, ſome lay on the Heel, others had their Sails unbent, and from all of them great Numbers were employed on Shore in Wooding and Watering. Under theſe Circumſtances the Alertneſs and Diſpatch with which the Ships put to Sea, was ſurpriſing even to me, who am no Stranger to the Activity and Briſkneſs of the Engliſh Officers and Seamen. As the Squadron ſtood over for Port Royal, the Enemy's Ships were diſcovered to be a Convoy. Before Four in the Afternoon Nine or Ten of them run themſelves on Shore on the Iſland Martinico, and were ſet on Fire by our Boats, either immediately or the next Morning. About the ſame Time I obſerved the Boreas

Boreas engaged with the French Frigate in Port Royal Bay, a French Rear Admiral with two other 74 Gun Ships, ſlipped their Cables, and bore down upon him, which obliged the Boreas to ſheer off. This dextrous Manœuvre ſaved their Frigate, and ſome of their Merchant Ships. The French Admiral hauled his Wind in good Time, and kept plying for the Road. The Ships a-head of the Princeſs Royal at this Time were the Conqueror, Albion, Elizabeth, Vigilant, and Centurion, but the Conqueror a-head and to Windward of the Reſt. About Five this Ship got within Diſtance of the French Rear-Admiral who began the Cannonade. The Steadineſs and Coolneſs with which on every Tack the Conqueror received the Fire of theſe Three Ships, and returned his own, working his Ship with as much exactneſs as if he had been turning into Spithead, and on every Board gaining conſiderably on the Enemy, gave me infinite Peaſure: The Reſt of the Ships ſhewed no leſs Eagerneſs to get into Action. Towards Sun-ſet the Albion had got well up to ſecond the Conqueror, and the other Ships were in Action, but as they had worked, not only within the Danger of the Shoals of this Bay, but within the Reach of the Batteries from whence were fired both Shells and Shot, I called them off by the Night Signal at a Quarter before Seven. It was with inexpreſſible Concern I then heard that Captain Walter Griffith was killed by the laſt Broadſide.—The Service cannot loſe a better Man or a better Officer. The Conqueror had Three Men killed and Eleven wounded: The Damage done to the Ship is not very conſiderable, nor I believe to any of the other Ships, as I have had no Report from them. They are cruizing under Commodore Collingwood off the Point of Salines. We have taken Nine Sail of this Convoy which came from Marſeilles under the Convoy of the Aurora about the Middle of October; I judge that, including the Frigate, they were Twenty-ſix in Number; four more had loſt Company, and are yet expected, rather at St. Lucia than Martinico. All of the French Ships, except theſe who were engaged, were in the Carenage, I believe in ill Condition, and many of their Crews in the Hoſpital.

On the 20th, ſtanding with Seven Ships over to St. Lucia, late in the Evening, I received a Letter from Sir Henry Calder, informing me Three large Ships were ſeen that Afternoon from the Morne ſteering to the Northward, ſuppoſed to be Part of Monſ. la Mote Piquet's Squadron returning from Grenada. As I judged this Intelligence very probable, Rear-Admiral Rowley was immediately detached in the Suffolk, with the Vengeance, Magnificent, and Sterling Caſtle, in Purſuit of them.

P. S. I am well aſſured the Sphynx is retaken by the Proſerpine, after a ſmart Action; but, as I have had no Letters ſince that Time from Commodore Hotham, I cannot give their Lordſhips the Particulars.

Copy of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Hyde Parker to Mr. Stephens, dated Princeſs Royal, Gros Iſlet Bay, St. Lucia, January 2, 1780.

SIR,

THE Delay of the Merchant-Ship, on which Captain Sutton is embarked, furniſhes me with the Opportunity, and Admiral Rowley's Return with the Occaſion, of my writing you a Third Letter, that you may inform their Lordſhips of the Succeſs of his Cruize, which I do by tranſmitting a Copy of his Letter to me.

I am, SIR,

Your moſt obedient humble Servant,

H. PARKER.

Philip Stephens, Eſq;

Extract of a Letter from Rear-Admiral Rowley to Rear-Admiral Hyde Parker, dated Suffolk at Sea, off Mount Fortune, January 1, 1780.

SIR,

I BEG Leave to acquaint you, that in purſuance of your Order of the 20th of December laſt, I proceeded with the Ships named in the Margin*, in Purſuit of the Three Ships which you had Intelligence of.

On Tueſday the 21ſt, at Eight A. M. Three ſtrange Sail being diſcovered from the Suffolk's Maſt-head in the North Weſt, I ordered the Signal to be made for a general Chace, which being obeyed with the greateſt Alacrity, I had the Satisfaction by Noon to find we gained upon them very faſt.

On Wedneſday the 22d, at Three P. M. they hoiſted French Colours, but ſoon after hauled them down again: At Five, having come well up with the Chace, which I could now plainly perceive were French Frigates, I fired a Shot at them, which was returned.—At Half an Hour paſt Six the Magnificent exchanged ſeveral Shot with one of the Frigates, which, after a Chace of Fourteen Hours, I had the Pleaſure to ſee ſtrike to her. She proved the La Blanche Frigate, of 36 Guns, and 212 Men, commanded by Monſ. Galliſſoniere.

At Eleven, the La Fortune Frigate of 42 Guns and 247 Men, commanded by the Chevalier Marigny, ſtruck to the Suffolk, after a Chace of Eighteen Hours. The Vengeance on my Lee Quarter having come up with the La Blanche, took Charge of her, and exchanged the Priſoners, &c. while the Stirling Caſtle and Magnificent continued the Chaſe to Leeward after the third Ship, which they came up with and took, after a Chace of 36 Hours, on Thurſday the 23d ult. at Three P. M. She proved the La Ellis of 28 Guns and 68 Men, commanded by Monſ. Fonteneaux.

From the Information of the Officers belonging to the Frigates before mentioned, I learn, that they left Savanna on the 1ſt of November laſt, arrived at Grenada the 6th of December, left that Place the 9th, arrived at St. Vincent's the 15th, from whence they ſailed the 19th, and were on their Paſſage to Martinique.

On our Paſſage, in Lat. 16 Deg. 36 Min. I fell in with a French Schooner from Martinique to America, which was taken by the Stirling Caſtle. In Lat. 15 Deg. 36 Min. I alſo fell in with the Young Frow Iſabella, a Sloop from Grenada, bound to St. Euſtatia; but having only Americans on board, ſhe was detained as Prize by the Suffolk. On the 28th the Vengeance alſo took a ſmall Schooner, laden with Fiſh from Margaritta, bound to Martinique.

The Readineſs and Alertneſs with which the Captains, Officers and Seamen obeyed the Signals on this Occaſion, were ſuch as to merit every Thing I can ſay in their Favour.

* Suffolk, Stirling Caſtle, Magnificent, Vengeance.

Princeſs Royal, Jan. 25, 1780.

Liſt of Prizes taken by the Squadron ſince my Account of the 9th *ultimo.*

1779. Dec. By the *Porcupine.* Frigate Sphynx, retaken.

Dec. 18. *By the Squadron.* French Brig Le Mara Jenette, bound from Marſeilles to Martinique, laden with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 18. By *Ditto.* French Ship La Anonyne, 260 Tons, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 18. By *Ditto.* French Ship La Marianne, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 18. By *Ditto.* French Brig Le Lazare, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 18. By *Ditto.* French Ship Le Concorde, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 18. By *Ditto.* French Ship Le Herieux Jean, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 18. By *Ditto.* French Ship L'Etoile la Mar, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 18. By *Ditto.* French Ship Le Jean Louis, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 18. By *Ditto.* French Ship La Mitie, from Marſeilles to Martinique, with ſundry Kinds of Merchandize.

—— 22. By the *Suffolk.* French Frigate La Fortune, 1100 Tons, 42 Guns, 247 Men, from Grenada to Martinique.

—— 22. By the *Magnificent.* French Frigate La Blanche, 36 Guns, 212 Men, from Grehada to Martinique.

—— 23. By *Ditto.* French Frigate La Ellis, 28 Guns, 68 Men, from Grenada to Martinique.

—— 25. By *Ditto* and *Stirling Caſtle.* An American Schooner, from Martinique to America, with Melaſſes, Gunpowder, Rum, Sugar, &c.

—— 27. By the *Suffolk.* American Sloop Young Frow Iſabella, 20 Tons, 10 Men, from Grenada to St. Euſtatius; with Rum, Sugar, Cotton, Indigo, &c.

—— 28. By the *Vengeance.* Margaritt Schooner Volante, 15 Tons, 6 Men, from Martinique to France, with Fiſh.

St. James's, March 4.

The King has been pleaſed to grant unto John Lott, of Hythe in the County of Kent, Gentleman, in purſuance of the Will of Elizabeth Rolfe, Spinſter, deceaſed, His Royal Licence and Authority to take upon him the Name of Eaton; and alſo to order, that this His Majeſty's Conceſſion and Declaration be regiſtered in His College of Arms.

AT the Court at St. *James's*, the 16th of *February*, 1780,

PRESENT,

The KING's Moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHereas the Time limited by His Majeſty's Order in Council of the 19th of November laſt, for prohibiting the Exporting out of this Kingdom, or carrying Coaſtwiſe, Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, will expire on the 23d of this inſtant February: And whereas it is judged expedient that the ſaid Prohibition ſhould be continued for ſome Time longer, except in thoſe Caſes where (for the Benefit and Advantage of Trade, and for the Uſe and Defence of Ships trading to Foreign Parts, and of the Tranſports and Victualling Veſſels employed in His Majeſty's Service) His Majeſty, by His ſeveral Orders in Council of the 13th and 27th of October, and of the 6th and 22d of November, 1775, of the 5th and 19th of February, and the 23d of Auguſt and 25th of September, 1776, of the 16th of April, the 13th of Auguſt, and the 3d and 10th of October, 1777, of the 19th of June, the 7th and 26th of Auguſt, and the 10th of September 1778, has thought proper to permit and allow the Exportation of, and carrying Coaſtwiſe, Gunpowder, Saltpetre, Arms and Ammunition, under certain Conditions and Reſtrictions mentioned in the ſaid Orders: His Majeſty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby order, require, prohibit, and command, that no Perſon or Perſons whoſoever (except the Maſter-General, Lieutenant-General, or Principal Officers of the Ordnance, for His Majeſty's Service) do, at any Time during the Space of Three Months, to commence from the ſaid 23d Day of this inſtant February, preſume to tranſport into any Parts out of this Kingdom, or carry Coaſtwiſe, any Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, or ſhip or lade any Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, on Board any Ship or Veſſel, in order to tranſporting the ſame beyond the Seas, or carrying the ſame Coaſtwiſe, except in the Caſes comprized within the aforementioned Orders in Council, without Leave or Permiſſion in that Behalf firſt obtained from His Majeſty or His Privy Council, upon Pain of incurring and ſuffering the reſpective Forfeitures and Penalties inflicted by an Act paſſed in the 29th Year of His late Majeſty's Reign, entituled, "An Act "to impower His Majeſty to prohibit the Ex"portation of Saltpetre, and to enforce the Law "for empowering His Majeſty to prohibit the "Exportation of Gunpowder, or any Sort of "Arms and Ammunition; and alſo to impower "His Majeſty to reſtrain the carrying Coaſtwiſe "of Saltpetre, Gunpowder, or any Sort of Arms "or Ammunition."—And the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, the Commiſſioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, the Maſter-General of the Ordnance, and His Majeſty's Secretary at War, are to give the neceſſary Directions herein, as to them may reſpectively appertain.

W. Fawkener.

Cuſtom-Houſe, London, February 24, 1780.

FOR SALE,

BY *Order of the Honourable the Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, in the Long Room at the Cuſtom-Houſe, on Thurſday the* 16th *of March next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, in Lots of* 2, 6, 8, *and* 10 *Hhds. each.*

SUGAR.

Hh.	T.	B.	
171	0	0	Barbadoes.
29	18	21	St. Kitts.
23	14	39	Montſerratt.

85 Barrels Ginger, 3 Caſks Aloes, 2 Caſks Indigo, and 1 Bag Turmerick, from Barbadoes.

Samples to be viewed in Wycherley's-yard, oppoſite Bear Quay, on Tueſday the 14th, *Wedneſday the* 15th *and on the Day of Sale.*

St. James's, March 4, 1780.

Whereas it hath been humbly repreſented to the King, That on the 26th of February laſt, Mr. Joſeph Nicholſon, Surveyor of the Exciſe at Canterbury, having made a Seizure of a conſiderable Quantity of Foreign Geneva at Whitſtable, he was removing the ſame to Canterbury, under an Eſcort of a Corporal and Eight Dragoons on Foot, when a large Gang of Ruffians with Fire Arms followed them, and, without demanding the Goods, fired upon them, killed Two Dragoons upon the Spot, wounded Two others, and ſhot through the Hat of another; after which they unloaded the Waggon, and carried the whole Seizure away with them:

His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in the ſaid Murders, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon to any one of the Offenders, (except the Perſon or Perſons who actually committed the ſaid Murders) who ſhall diſcover any one or more of his Accomplices therein, ſo that he or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HILLSBOROUGH.

And, as a farther Encouragement, the Commiſſioners of Exciſe do hereby promiſe a Reward of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS to any Perſon or Perſons making ſuch Diſcovery, (except as before excepted) to be paid by their Secretary on the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.

Admiralty-Office, February 16, 1780.

Notice is hereby given, That a Seſſion of Oyer and Terminer and Goal Delivery, for the Trial of Offences committed on the High Seas, within the Juriſdiction of the Admiralty of England, will be held on Friday the 31ſt Day of March next, at Juſtice Hall in the Old Bailey, at Eight o'Clock in the Morning.

Ph. Stephens.

Victualling-Office, March 1, 1780.

THE Commiſſioners for Victualling His Majeſty's Navy do hereby give Notice, That on Wedneſday the 29th Inſtant they will be ready to receive Tenders in Writing, (ſealed up) and treat with ſuch Perſons as may be inclinable to undertake to furniſh Freſh Beef to ſuch of His Majeſty's Ships and Veſſels as may touch at Corke in Ireland, and be in Want thereof.

The Conditions of the Contract may be ſeen at the Secretary's Office at this Office, or by applying to the Collector or Chief Officer of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms at Corke.

And all Perſons who may think proper to make Tenders upon the ſaid Occaſion are deſired to take Notice, That no Regard will be had to any Tender that ſhall not be delivered to the Board before One o'Clock on the 29th Inſtant, nor unleſs the Perſon who makes the Tender, or ſome Perſon on his Behalf, attends to anſwer for him when called for.

Queen Anne's Bounty.

TO the Clergy Notice is hereby given, that the Intereſt due at Lady-day next will be paid by Vincent Mathias, Eſq; Treaſurer, in Middle Scotland-yard, Whitehall, every Day, from Lady-day to Midſummer next, (Sundays and Holidays excepted) between the Hours of Ten and Two.

South Sea Houſe, March 4, 1780.

THE Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That a General Court of the ſaid Company will be held at this Houſe, on Thurſday the 16th Inſtant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, being one of the Half-yearly General Courts appointed by the Charter.

AVERAGE PRICES of CORN,

From February 21, to February 26, 1780.

By the Standard WINCHESTER Buſhel of Eight Gallons.

	Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
London,	3	11	2	1	2	1	1	7	2	1
COUNTIES INLAND.										
Middleſex,	4	0	——		2	3	1	9	2	7
Surry,	4	4	——		2	3	1	11	3	0
Hertford,	4	1	——		2	2	1	10	3	0
Bedford,	3	9	2	5	2	0	1	9	2	8
Cambridge,	3	5	2	0	1	11	1	6	2	7
Huntingdon,	3	3	——		1	10	1	6	2	9
Northampton,	3	7	——		1	10	1	5	2	7
Rutland,	3	10	——		1	11	1	6	3	0
Leiceſter,	3	10	2	5	2	1	1	5	2	8
Nottingham,	3	9	2	4	2	1	1	8	2	5
Derby,	4	1	——		2	4	1	6	2	8
Stafford,	4	0	——		2	3	1	5	3	2
Salop,	3	7	2	10	2	1	1	5	2	9
Hereford,	3	5	——		2	0	1	4	2	6
Worceſter,	4	0	——		2	4	1	7	2	10
Warwick,	3	10	——		2	1	1	6	2	9
Glouceſter,	3	11	——		1	11	1	9	3	1
Wilts,	4	0	——		2	1	1	8	3	5
Berks,	4	0	——		2	0	1	7	2	8
Oxford,	3	9	——		1	11	1	7	2	7
Bucks,	3	8	——		1	11	1	8	2	7
COUNTIES upon the COAST.										
Eſſex,	3	5	——		1	11	1	6	2	3
Suffolk,	3	4	2	0	1	11	1	7	2	3
Norfolk,	3	3	2	1	1	9	1	7	2	2
Lincoln,	3	2	2	3	1	11	1	5	2	7
York,	3	8	2	4	2	2	1	5	2	6
Durham,	3	11	——		——		1	4	2	11
Northumberland,	3	8	2	6	1	9	1	5	2	5
Cumberland,	3	8	2	8	1	11	1	4	2	8
Weſtmorland,	4	3	——		1	11	1	3	2	5
Lancaſhire,	4	5	——		2	3	1	7	2	11
Cheſhire,	4	3	——		2	3	1	4	——	
Monmouth,	3	10	——		2	2	1	4	——	
Somerſet,	4	6	2	8	2	1	1	6	2	5
Devon,	3	11	——		1	11	1	3	——	
Cornwall,	3	7	——		1	9	1	2	——	
Dorſet,	4	6	——		2	3	1	10	3	5
Hampſhire,	3	11	——		2	0	1	9	3	3
Suſſex,	3	9	——		2	1	1	8	2	8
Kent,	3	9	——		2	3	1	9	2	4

From February 14, to February 19, 1780.

WALES.										
North Wales,	4	0	3	2	2	0	1	2	2	11
South Wales,	3	7	2	8	1	11	1	0	2	3

Part of SCOTLAND.

Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.		Big.	
3	1	——		1	8	1	6	——		2	0

Publiſhed by Authority of Parliament,

John James Catherwood.

Equivalent-Office, March 1, 1780.

THE Court of Directors of the Equivalent Company give Notice, that a General Court of this Company will be held at their Houſe in Warnford-Court, Throgmorton-Street, on Wedneſday the 19th of April next, for the Election of Thirteen Directors, (according to their Charter) which will continue by Ballot from Nine to Twelve o'Clock in the Forenoon of the ſaid Day, after which no Liſts will be taken in, and the Election will be declared immediately after the Scrutiny; that the Transfer Books will be ſhut on Wedneſday the 29th of this Inſtant March, and continue ſo till Wedneſday the 12th of April next; and Liſts of the Members of the ſaid Company will be ready to be delivered at their Houſe in Warnford-Court, Throgmorton-Street, London, on Wedneſday the ſaid 12th of April next.

James Mathias, *Secretary.*

East-India House, February 18, 1780.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice,

That the Transfer Books of East-India Annuities will be ſhut on Friday the 3d of March next, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Friday the 14th of April following.

And that the Dividend Warrants due the 5th of April, will be ready to be delivered on Friday the 5th of May next.

East-India House, March 3, 1780.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice,

That a General Court of the ſaid Company will be held at their Houſe in Leadenhall-Street, on Thurſday next, the 9th Inſtant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, to receive Lord North's Anſwer to the Propoſitions laid before his Lordſhip by Order of the Court of Proprietors.

London, March 4, 1780.

NOtice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of His Majeſty's Ship Porcupine, the Honourable William Clement Finch Commander, who were actually on Board on the 21ſt of September, 1778, at taking the Modeſte, a French Eaſt-India Ship, that a Third Payment, on Account of the Produce of the ſaid Ship, will be made on Board the Porcupine, upon her next Arrival either at Portſmouth or Plymouth. The Recalls the Firſt Wedneſday in every Month, at the Houſe of Meſſ. Thomas and William Maude, Downing-ſtreet, Weſtminſter.

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Tueſday the 15th Day of February, in the 20th Year of the Reign of His Majeſty King George the Third, One thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty. Between Henry Smith, Plaintiff; Richard Neave, Defendant.

UPON the humble Petition of the Plaintiff this Day preferred to the Right Honourable the Maſter of the Rolls, for the Reaſons therein contained, and upon reading the Six Clerks Certificate, and the Affidavit of Joſhua Reynolds Leeming, it is ordered, That the Defendant do appear to the Plaintiff's Bill on or before the 3d Day of April next; and that the ſaid Affidavit be forthwith filed,

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London, February 29, 1780.

WHereas the Copartnerſhip between George Ruſſell and William Young, of Bell-wharf, Dowgate, London, Wharfingers and Partners, hath this Day been diſſolved by mutual Conſent; all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Copartnerſhip are deſired to pay their reſpective Debts to the ſaid William Young, who continues to carry on the Buſineſs of a Wharfinger, at the ſaid Wharf and Premiſſes, on his own Account, in the uſual Manner.

Geo. Ruſſell.
William Young.

Bow, Middleſex, March 1, 1780.

NOtice is hereby given, that the Partnerſhip between Thomas Bunn and James Bagnet, Coal-dealers, is by mutual Conſent this Day diſſolved. Any Perſons having Demands on the ſaid Partnerſhip are deſired to apply to Thomas Bunn, who will pay the ſame; and thoſe indebted to the ſaid Partnerſhip are deſired to pay their reſpective Debts to the ſaid Thomas Bunn.

Tho. Bunn.
Ja. Bagnet.

THE Creditors of John Titley, formerly of the Pariſh of St. Lawrence Jewry in the City of London, Merchant, and who were Creditors prior to the 15th of January, 1767, are requeſted to make due Proof of their reſpective Debts, and ſend the ſame to Meſſ. Smith and Still, of Drapers Hall, Throgmorton-ſtreet, London, (Solicitors to the acting Aſſignee of the Eſtate and Effects of the ſaid John Titley, under a Deed of Aſſignment executed the ſaid 15th Day of January) on or before the Firſt Day of May next, in order that a Dividend may be made of the Eſtate and Effects of the ſaid John Titley in the Hands of the ſaid acting Aſſignee, or in Default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded any Benefit therefrom.

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TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to an Order made by the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, before John Hett, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the High Court of Chancery, at his Chambers in Symond's-inn, Chancery-lane, London, on Tueſday the 11th of April next, between the Hours of Five and Six in the Afternoon, The Ground belonging to the Six Clerks of the ſaid Court, and the Buildings ſtanding thereon, ſituate in Chancery-lane aforeſaid. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued againſt James Appleton, late of Liverpool in the County of Lancaſter, Merchant, Dealer and Chapman, are deſired to meet the ſurviving Aſſignee of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate and Effects, on the 2nd Day of March inſtant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Pentac's Coffee-houſe, in Water-ſtreet, Liverpool, in order to aſſent to or diſſent from the ſaid Aſſignee's commencing, proſecuting, or defending, any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity, concerning the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate and Effects; or to his compounding, ſubmitting to Arbitration, or otherwiſe agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other ſpecial Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued againſt John Armſtrong and Thomas Walter, of Bermondſey-ſtreet, Southwark, in the County of Surry, Diſtillers, Copartners, Dealers, and Chapmen, are deſired to meet the Aſſignee of their Eſtate and Effects, on Friday the 10th of March inſtant, at the Corn-factors Coffee-houſe, in Mark-lane, London, in order to aſſent to or diſſent from the ſaid Aſſignee's commencing, proſecuting, or defending any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the ſaid Bankrupts Eſtate and Effects; or to his compounding, ſubmitting to Arbitration, or otherwiſe agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other ſpecial Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued againſt Robert Scruton, of Great St. Helen's, Biſhopſgate-ſtreet, London, Callender, Hotpreſſer, Dealer and Chapman, are deſired to meet the Aſſignees of his Eſtate and Effects, on Tueſday next, at Five in the Afternoon, at Guildhall Coffee-houſe, King-ſtreet, Cheapſide, to aſſent to or diſſent from the ſaid Aſſignees commencing, proſecuting, or defending, one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity, or to their compounding, ſubmitting to Arbitration, or otherwiſe agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto, and particularly as to the Diſpoſal of the Utenſils in Trade, and Houſhold Furniture and Effects of the ſaid Bankrupt, by private Contract or otherwiſe; and on other ſpecial Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued againſt Robert Stupart, of Southampton-ſtreet in the Pariſh of St. George in the County of Middleſex, Merchant, Inſurer, and Dealer, are deſired to meet the Aſſignees of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate, on Friday the 10th of March inſtant, at Six of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Old Lloyd's Coffee-houſe, Lombard-ſtreet, in order to aſſent to or diſſent from the ſaid Aſſignees commencing, proſecuting, or defending, any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate and Effects; or to their compounding, ſubmitting to Arbitration, or otherwiſe agreeing to, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other ſpecial Affairs.

THE Creditors of John Maſon, of Weſtrop in the County of Bucks, Eſq; are deſired to ſend in an Account of their reſpective Demands to Mr. Coore, No. 30, Wincheſter-ſtreet, London, in order that the ſame may be ſatisfied.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued againſt William Kenyon, late of Blackburn in the County Palatine of Lancaſter, Cotton-manufacturer, Dealer and Chapman, are deſired to meet the Aſſignees of his Eſtate and Effects, on Wedneſday the 29th Day of March inſtant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, at the Black Bull, in Blackburn, to aſſent to or diſſent from the ſaid Aſſignees commencing, proſecuting, or defending, any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity, concerning the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate and Effects; or to their compounding, ſubmitting to Arbitration, or otherwiſe agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto.

WHereas John Crick, of St. John-ſtreet, Middleſex, Grocer, did, on the 20th Day of May laſt, aſſign all his Eſtate and Effects to Truſtees, for the Benefit of his Creditors; The ſaid Truſtees do hereby give Notice, that a Dividend of the ſaid Eſtate will be paid on the 25th Day of March inſtant, between the Hours of Nine and Twelve o'Clock, at Meſſ. Jackſon and Sim's, Attornies, in Mark-lane, London, to ſuch of the Creditors of the ſaid John Crick who have executed, or ſhall, on or before the ſaid 25th of March inſtant, execute, the Deed of Truſt; and ſuch Creditors who have not executed the ſaid Deed, are deſired to call at the ſaid Meſſ. Jackſon and Sim's, and execute the ſame, and leave an Account of their Debts, before the ſaid Time, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, all and every Perſon and Perſons claiming to be related, either as Child or Children, or Grandchild or Grandchildren, or as Repreſentative or Repreſentatives of Child or Children, or Grandchild or Grandchildren, of Rebecca Waite, (who inter-married with William Bennett, late of the City of Briſtol, Worſted-comber) and Jane Waite, (who is ſuppoſed to have inter-married with one Garener, late of Corſham near Laycock and Chippenham in Wilts) the Two Siſters of George Waite, late of Hurſt Green in the Pariſh of Salehurſt in the County of Suſſex, Yeoman, deceaſed, reſpectively, or either of them, living at the Time of the Death of the ſaid George Waite, which happened on or about the 13th Day of February, 1776, are to come before John Eames, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's-inn, and make out their Claim or Claims reſpectively, otherwiſe they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors and Legatees of John Treiſe, late of Lavethan in the County of Cornwall, Eſq; deceaſed, are to come in and prove their Debts and claim their Legacies before William Weller Pepys, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's-inn, Chancery-lane, London, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of John Jackſon, late of Lackenby in the County of York, Gentleman, deceaſed, are forthwith to come in and prove their Debts before John Ord, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, dated the 13th Day of November laſt, made in Two Cauſes, Mayer againſt Gowland and others, and Gowland and another againſt Mayer and others, the Creditors (if any) of John Gowland, late of New Bond-ſtreet in the Pariſh of St. George Hanover-ſquare in the County of Middleſex, Eſq; deceaſed, are to come in and prove their Debts before Edward Montagu, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's-inn, Chancery-lane, London, on or before the 12th Day of April next, being the Firſt Day of Eaſter Term, or in Default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Richard Jackſon, late of Norton in the County of Durham, Eſq; deceaſed, are forthwith to come in and prove their Debts before John Ord, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors and Legatees of George Waite, late of Hurſt's Green in the Pariſh of Salehurſt in the County of Suſſex, Yeoman, deceaſed, are to come in and prove their Debts and claim their Legacies, before John Eames, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's-inn, Chancery-lane, London, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, dated the 7th Day of March, 1778, made in a Cauſe, Lewin againſt Reynolds, the unſatisfied Creditors (if any) of Joanna King, late of Cold-bath-fields in the Pariſh of St. James Clerkenwell in the County of Middleſex, Spinſter, deceaſed, are to come in and prove their Debts, before Edward Montagu, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's-inn, Chancery-lane, London, on or before the 23d Day of March inſtant, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, made in a Cauſe, Elizabeth Ives, Widow, and others, Plaintiffs, and Mary Ifted and others Defendants, the Creditors and Legatees of Philippa Ifted, late of the Pariſh of St. Giles in the Town of Northampton, Spinſter, deceaſed, are forthwith to come

come in and prove their Debts and claim their Legacies, before John Hett, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Decree.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Joseph Ingram, of Vine-street, Coldbath-fields, in the Parish of St. Andrew Holborn in the County of Middlesex, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 11th Day of March instant Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, on the 18th Day of the same Month at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, and on the 15th Day of April next at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees; and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Brewer, King-street, West-smithfield, London.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against James Pedge, late of Wramplingham in the County of Norfolk, Miller, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 29th Day of March instant at Three in the Afternoon, on the 30th Day of the same Month at Eleven in the Forenoon, and on the 15th Day of April next at Three in the Afternoon, at the Guildhall in King's Lynn, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Micklefield, Attorney, at Stokeferry, Norfolk.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against James Trelegon, of the Strand in the Parish of St. Mary le Strand in the County of Middlesex, Silversmith, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 11th and 18th Days of March instant, and on the 15th Day of April next, at Ten in the Forenoon on each Day, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Railton, Bartholomew-close, London.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against William Sturman, of the City of Bristol, Victualler, Vintner, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 13th and 15th Days of March instant, and on the 15th Day of April next, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon on each of the said Days, at Mr. Wheeler's, the Rummer Tavern, in Bristol aforesaid, and make a full Disclosure and Discovery of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees; and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination; and at the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Thomas Jones, Attorney, in Bristol.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against James Pearson, of Cheapside, London, Linen-draper, intend to meet on the 25th Day of March instant, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Further Dividend of the Estate and Effects of the said Bankrupt; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against John Colborne, now or late of King's Norton in the County of Worcester, Mercer, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 31st Day of March instant, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Talbot Inn, in Stourbridge in the County of Worcester, in order to make a Dividend of the Estate and Effects of the said Bankrupt; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And all Claims not then proved will be disallowed.

WHereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Richard Stephens, of the Garth in the Parish of Nantmell in the County of Radnor, Dealer and Chapman, have certified to the Right Honourable Edward Lord Thurlow, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said Richard Stephens hath in all Things conformed according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 25th Day of March instant.

THE following Persons being Fugitives for Debt, and beyond the Seas, on the TENTH Day of MARCH, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-eight, and having surrendered themselves to the Goalers or Keepers of the respective Goals or Prisons hereafter-mentioned, do hereby give this Public Notice, That they intend to take the Benefit of an Act of Parliament, passed in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors; and for the Relief of Bankrupts in certain Cases*; at the next General Special Sessions, or General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, to be held in and for the County, Riding, Division, City, Town, Liberty, or Place, or any Adjournment thereof, which shall happen next after TWENTY-ONE Days from the FIRST Publication of the undermentioned Names. And they do hereby give Notice, That true and perfect Schedules, containing a Discovery of all their Real and Personal Estate, (hereafter to be sworn to) are now ready to be delivered to any Creditor applying for the same to the Gaolers or Keepers, or their Deputies, in such Manner as by the said Act is directed.

Fugitive surrendered to the Keeper of the POULTRY Compter in the City of London.

First Notice.

George Bruce, formerly of St. Peter's-alley, Cornhill, in the City of London, late of Rhode Island in North America, Dealer and Chapman.

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31. Admiral Digby took the Prothée and some few of the Convoy.

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Admiralty-Office, March 6, 1780.

LIEUTENANT Oakes, of His Majesty's Ship the Prince George, arrived Yesterday in the Forenoon with Dispatches from Admiral Sir George Brydges Rodney and Rear-Admiral Digby to Mr. Stephens, of which the following are Extracts.

Extract of a Letter from Sir George Brydges Rodney to Mr. Stephens, dated on Board the Sandwich, at Sea, the 15th of February, 1780.

PLEASE to acquaint their Lordships, That on the 13th Instant I left the Bay of Gibraltar, with His Majesty's Fleet under my Command; the Marlborough, Invincible, and Defence arrived the same Day, after conducting the Victuallers and Store-ships to Mahon; during their Passage to and and from that Island they had not met with or heard of any of the Enemy's Ships cruizing in those Seas. In the Evening His Majesty's Ship the Triton joined me in the Gut, after having conducted the Convoy and the Money he was charged with safe into the Port of Mahon, where he had remained Two Days, and then proceeded to join me with the Governor's Dispatches: He reports to me, that every Thing in that Island was in perfect Security and Order.

Their Lordships will please to observe, by the Correspondence between the Spanish Admiral, the General who commands the Spanish Forces before Gibraltar, and myself, that I had given Orders for the Embarkation of Monsieur Langara to take Place for England, upon the English Prisoners not being delivered up.

On the Morning of the intended Embarkation the Spanish General sent Notice, that the English Prisoners were on their Way to St. Roch; that he had received positive Orders from his Sovereign to treat them with the highest Respect and Attention; that the Court of Madrid were truly sensible of the Humanity and Urbanity with which their Officers and Men had been treated; directing him and the Viceroy of the Province, and all his Catholic Majesty's Officers, to treat the English Officers with the greatest Civility and Kindness.

The Spanish Admiral, after having sent me his Letter acquainting me with his extreme ill State of Health, and the dangerous Condition of his Wounds not then healed, as likewise the General's of the Spanish Army's Letter to him of that Morning, wherein he mentioned the express Orders of his Catholic Majesty, relative to the Treatment and Respect he was to shew the British Officers on his receiving them at St. Roch, and conducting them to Gibraltar; I thought it a most proper Time to add to that generous Treatment, which had made so great an Impression on the Court of Madrid and the Spanish Nation, by releasing the Spanish Admiral and the Spanish Officers upon their Parole of Honor, signed by the Admiral and all the Spanish Officers.

None of the common Prisoners had been released, but such as were wounded or extremely sick, for which Receipts were given; all the others, except 500, which are left at Gibraltar to be exchanged for British Subjects, are now on board the Fleet on their Passage to England.

Extract of a Letter from Rear Admiral Digby to Mr. Stephens, dated on Board the Prince George at Sea, the 2d of March, 1780.

THEIR Lordships will receive herewith Sir George Rodney's Dispatches, with a Journal of the Proceedings of the Fleet since it has been put under my Command; by which they will see, that I sailed from Gibraltar the 14th of February with Sir George Rodney, who kept me with him till the 18th Instant, when he made the Signal for separating, and parted Company immediately, leaving me with the Command of the Fleet and Spanish Prizes, except such Ships as were ordered to proceed with him to the Place of his Destination. Nothing material happened till the 23d about One o'Clock, when we fell in with a French Convoy, consisting of Two Sixty-four Gun Ships, Two large Store-ships armé en Flutte, a Frigate, and about Thirteen Sail of Vessels bound to the Mauritius: They were so much on their Guard, that before we could see them from the Deck, except One, and of that only the Head of her Top-sails, they made Sail from us: The Signal for a general Chace was made immediately, and the Resolution had the good Luck to come up with the Prothée, of 64 Guns and Seven Hundred Men, about One o'Clock in the Morning, and took her without losing a Man. She is commanded by Monf. Chilot, who I find was the Commanding Officer of the Expedition: The whole Convoy are, on the King's Account, loaded with Warlike Stores and Troops, the Prothée and Ajax, both of 64 Guns, have Money on Board amounting to about One Hundred and Twenty Thousand Pounds. The Marlborough has taken a Snow with Warlike Stores, and the Apollo, who parted Company in Chace the Morning we saw them, has also taken One. The Invincible, Bienfaisant and Triton have just now joined with another small Prize of the same Convoy; the rest must have born away in the early Part of the Evening: There were several Hours that even the headmost Ships did not see any of them.

3d March, Three o'Clock.

WE have just made Scilly; I therefore dispatch the Apollo to Plymouth to give their Lordships the earliest Intelligence of the Arrival of the Squadron under my Command.

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